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little babe. She learned of her being with this group of youngsters by reading the personnel of the group. Dr. C. F. Cropp spent Sunday in Portland.

Miss Pearl Percival returned home from Portland Tuesday, after spending a week there studying the latest styles in spring millinery.

Mrs. Alpha Baseue returned home from Portland Wednesday after attending the millinery openings there.

Mrs. E. Bacon of Tillamook is the house guest of her mother, Mrs. Chas. Smith, for a few days.

W. Perry returned home the first of the week from Camas, Wash.

The Independence business men gave a banquet at the Hotel Beaver Wednesday evening.

John Cooper, Jr., was a Portland visitor last week.

Sim Bush has accepted a position in the Conkey and Walker grocery store.

Dr. Ross McIntyre, a former resident of this city and student of the Willamette, in Salem, has received a commission as second lieutenant in the hospital division of the United States army, and has gone to Washington, D. C., to report for duty. He took the examination for the position recently and received his commission Wednesday of last week, and at the same time an order to report for duty.

Beldon Owens, who is at Mare Island, where he some time ago joined the United States Marines, writes his grandmother that he was recently called before the major for an examination in which he was successful and will now go to the naval academy at Annapolis for final examination. Should he pass he will enter the academy for four years of study before being commissioned as an ensign.

Mrs. Dean Walker has returned from a visit in Eugene.

The city council has appointed W. H. Craven as its purchasing agent for the current year. Hereafter all supplies ordered for the city must be accompanied by a requisition and have his official O. K.

A deal was closed Saturday by which Ray Collins will take over the interests of Eley Fluke in the firm of Fluke & Johnson. Mr. Collins has been head clerk in the store for several months and will prove a valuable addition to the business. Mr. Fluke will go to Walla Walla, Wash., where he has secured a good position.

It is estimated that at least 500 acres in the vicinity of Independence will be planted to sugar beets this year, at least 150 acres to peppermint and many acres more to potatoes and onions. About half of the acreage to be used for beets, peppermint, potatoes and onions this year was planted to hops last year. In Polk county complete, it is estimated that the hop acreage will be decreased over 700 acres.

GREENWOOD

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Walker spent last Sunday with their daughters, Florence and Ruth, at Monmouth, where they are attending the O. S. Normal school.

Johnnie Zuloskowsky was recently married and is residing at Oregon City, where he has employment in one of the paper mills.

Mr. Braden was a county seat visitor last week.

Mr. Sanderson received a new heating stove last week by freight which he will use in his hot house.

Several motored to Dallas to see the big basketball game. All report a good game and all were highly pleased since the Portland team went down to defeat before the famous Dallas team.

J. T. Huntley and family spent Sunday with his brother, Wallace Huntley and family at Independence. They took in the big show at the Isis theater in which the De Moines children, 24 in all, put up a splendid play. The children ranged in age from four to 15 years and every member was an artist.

Charley Huntley informed the writer that he has his prune trees all planted on his Oak Grove ranch.

John Young was a Salem caller last week.

Ed. Brown was trading at Rieckrell last week.

James Ridenour is living at Astoria.

Mr. Halberg was a passenger to Salem last Wednesday.

Richard Ridenour expects to depart soon for Washington, where he will work in a logging camp.

E. F. Brown is thinking seriously of getting a tractor to take the place of horses on his farm.

Herman Brown, a former resident of this place, was recently married to Miss Katie Fox of Rieckrell. They will make their home at Oregon City where Mr. Brown has employment in the paper mills.

Mrs. Ridenour was a passenger to Salem Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Albin Becker was a west-bound passenger from here Wednesday morning.

Mr. Becker and son, Clarence, were hauling grain to Independence last week.

J. T. Huntley was an all-day visitor last Thursday with Dr. Allin and family at Independence.

SPRING VALLEY

Owing to the encouraging prospects of the prune industry, considerable acreage of the Red Hill territory of this district is being set out to prunes. The orchards will replace hop and grain land. Among those who are making this change are Walter Hunt, W. T. Scott and T. K. Simpson.

Mrs. W. D. Henry has been appointed deputy assessor for this district. Rev. Robert Russell officiated at the usual weekly services last Sunday.

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teachers' association was held last Friday night at the Zena school house. A good program was given.

Mrs. J. E. Phillips was a recent visitor with her son, Charles Dawson, of Portland.

T. K. Simpson was in McMinnville last week.

Mrs. R. H. Scott and daughter Jeannette are visiting this week with the family of S. M. Garland of Lebanon.

The Missionary society of the Baptist church was invited to meet this week at the home of Mrs. Will Crawford.

Fred Purvine made a trip to Portland Saturday.

Roy Barker is home from Eugene, convalescing from an illness contracted while at the university.

Winfield Higgins of Reno, Nev., is visiting a few days with W. T. Scott and family. He is a student at Oregon Agricultural college.

MILL CREEK

Miss Grace Ottinger, of Sheridan, spent the week-end at the D. A. Burgess home.

Mrs. C. Maggini had the misfortune of stepping onto a nail which caused her considerable trouble, but the injury is reported much better.

Lloyd Brown's boy has been quite ill the past week.

Mrs. Hershal Dickey visited with her mother, Mrs. A. H. Jones, Saturday.

J. Girsberger was seen going home with a new drill last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Schwegert and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Knobel.

Mrs. Roy Clark, and Misses Grace Ottinger and Nina Maggini visited with Miss Irene Lawrence Sunday afternoon.

Lloyd Brown has installed a phone in his home lately.

John Neathammer hauled potatoes to town the first of the week.

BUENA VISTA

Grandma McLain spent Tuesday at the home of her son, T. D. McLain.

Mrs. N. C. Anderson spent Thursday in Monmouth with her sister, Mrs. Ernest Cole.

Ed. Harmon sold a fine team of horses to Frank Grounds Friday of last week.

N. C. Anderson is the proud possessor of an Overland automobile.

The second quarterly meeting was held in the M. E. church last Thursday afternoon. Rev. Moore, the presiding elder, was present.

The Grand Lodge Herald of the I. O. O. F. lodge was here last Wednesday evening and visited this lodge.

Dewey Steele was a week-end visitor in Newport, going over to see his mother, who has been quite sick, but is improving.

Walter McKillip and Earl Chown were Sunday guests at the F. L. Chown home.

Mr. and Mrs. Black spent a week in Portland visiting relatives.

Mrs. N. C. Anderson left Friday for Salem, where she will stay for awhile with her sister who has just been operated on, Mrs. Robert Mutho.

Tom McCarty is on the sick list this week. The doctor was called there to see him.

"The Ranchman," the play which was given last Saturday evening by the high school was quite a success. The high school girls that were not in the play served lunches with the aid of the ladies of the community. The receipts of the evening were \$34.50, which will be turned over to the school board to use as it is needed.

The Ladies' Rural club entertained their husbands and children with a banquet Thursday evening in the I. O. O. F. hall. The hall was tastefully decorated in red, white and blue and with flags. Red hatchets were used as place cards. Supper was served to about 60 at 8 o'clock. Later, in the evening games were played in which Gilbert and Clarence Lo, and Arthur Black won the prizes. Mrs. A. J. Richardson was toast-mistress.

BALLSTON

Mr. Edson returned home from the Sheridan hospital Sunday very much improved.

Mrs. V. B. Sears spent several days in Salem last week.

Mrs. Betts of Hillsboro, spent several days in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hull returned Saturday night from Corvallis where they had been on business.

Mrs. Helen Moe of Bellevue, was visiting with Mrs. John Harris Saturday.

Bob Brooks went to Portland Sunday to work.

Mr. and Mrs. Sundberg were McMinnville visitors Wednesday.

The singing club met at the home of Mrs. Mary Newbill.

Peter Cook made a business trip to McMinnville Thursday.

Leah Fanning, who has been sick with the measles, entered school again Monday.

Mrs. Hancock and children were over from Sheridan between trains Sunday.

Mrs. Gerald Tillery returned from Willamina Sunday.

John Bentley went to Albany Sunday to work.

Peter Price was sick Friday afternoon and not able to be in the store.

Mrs. Andrew Nelson of Portland has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Jacobson, southwest of town, this week.

Mrs. Short was in Sheridan Saturday and Sunday helping care for Evelyn Reese who has the measles.

A. M. Fanning has returned home from his trip to California.

Frank Kimsey is cutting wood for Tom Rand.

Vern Fudge was home from McMinnville last week.

J. J. McKibben went to Yoncalla on business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jones of Perrydale, spent Sunday with Mrs. Rice Cooke.

Rev. C. L. Dark of Sheridan, Rev. Oliver of Amity and Rev. Warrel of Salem held an efficiency meeting in the Ballston M. E. church Friday night which proved very instructive.

GOOD NEWS

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